

A large bankrupt stock of SHOT GUNS and RIFLES of all kinds for sale at

Jackson's Toy Store

Water street, Benton Harbor, Mich. Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Mich. Winchester Repeating Rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$12 each. See the old and new models Cusackbush 22's and other Target Guns. One Colt Repeating Rifle second-hand at \$7, one Winchester Single Shot Rifle, second-hand, at \$6, Spencer Repeating Shot Gun, 8 shot at \$17, and I have Double Barrel Breech Loading Shot Guns both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and 12 each, Single Barrel Breech Loaders, both new and second-hand, at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each, Muzzle Loading Shot Guns at the lowest prices, one Winchester Repeating Shot Gun second-hand at \$10. Loaded Paper Shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box; paste that in your hat. A full and complete line of Winchester rifle cartridges at winning prices; 26 different sizes of revolver cartridges, B. B. Florio's and Blanks, Lad's and Ram's shot gun, rifle and blasting powder; smokeless powder for shot guns and rifles, brass shells, loaded and unloaded, buck, common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, shot gun fixtures; cartridge belts and shell bags; hunting coats, vests and hats; canvas game bags and belts for hunters; powder flasks and shot pouches; primers; snipe, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder; bowie knives and knives for hunters; pasteboard and felt wads; water proof and G. D. gun caps; all kinds of new and second-hand revolvers; my leaders are 32 center fire at \$1.50; 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are of the bull dog pattern, and they are all right and I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire, both blue and nickel 5 and 6 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder, breakdown shell ejector, 4 1/2 inch barrel Smith and Wesson pattern for \$3 and how is that for a leader on guns? Holders for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark lanterns for con hunters and the Morehouse traps for trappers, and compasses, boxing gloves, iron dumbbells. Foot balls of all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckels, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

After Nov let I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property and that I have

A large grain sack full of unredeemed WATCHES of all kinds.

32 solid gold rings. Banjos, guitars and violins. One third first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock. I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods for 10 years in Benton Harbor. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold.

CHARLES A. JACKSON

Dealer in Almost Everything....



Something Warm

"Something" warm is the name of a very good doctor. There is hardly an ill that heat will not relieve. The most convenient, speedy and comfortable way of taking heat is in the shape of a hot water bottle—one of those we are selling for \$1.00.

They are made of rubber, and should be in every household. For baby, for wet feet, for cold, pains of almost every sort, there is nothing to equal them.

Best Made—Hot Water Bottle, \$1.00

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110 Water Street, Benton Harbor.



We Eat Meat

to grow strong. Unless we get good meat, we may as well let it alone. There is no strength in tough meat. It is just giving it takes strength to digest it. It pays to be careful in buying meat—be sure you get the best—tender and choice. Pay a little more if need be, and put something in your stomach which will put flesh on your bones, and strong blood in your heart.

...HIRSCH BROS.

Two Stores 220 Pipestone Street

202 Territorial St.

BUSS MACHINE WORKS

Formally Transferred to Local and Grand Rapids Banking Institutions.

PRESIDENT BAILEY HOPEFUL.

Says the New Owners Will Endeavor to Get the Plant in Operation.

The deed conveying the Buss machine works to the First National bank of this city, and the State Bank of Michigan, of Grand Rapids, for the sum of \$23,800 was recorded with the register of deeds today. The consideration named is merely nominal.

The transfer, as will be remembered was made some time ago, the firm of Butterworth & Lowe, of Grand Rapids bidding in the property for the banking institutions, but the formal conveyance of the same to the indirect purchasers was necessarily delayed until today.

This afternoon President Bailey, of the First National bank, made the following reference to the deal: "Yes, the Buss Machine works, including the land, the buildings, the half completed machines, boilers, electrical appliances and everything included in the buildings, is the property of the First National bank of this city and the State Bank of Michigan, of Grand Rapids. We are in receipt of letters almost daily making inquiries concerning the institution and with the ushering in of the revival in business anticipated we may reasonably hope to dispose of the property on terms satisfactory to our owners. We shall make a spirited effort to get the shop in operation at an early date. We have had several opportunities to transfer it but the would-be purchasers in every case were not sufficiently strong financially to furnish us with the protection that strictly business principles demand."

DECEIVED BY A DEED.

Berrien Springs Woman the Victim of a Smooth Deal.

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Walters of Berrien Springs, has filed a bill of complaint in the circuit court commencing proceedings against Horatio Cure of Chicago, to remove what she considers a cloud on her title to the Hotel Berrien property, valued at \$7,000.

She made an agreement to convey this property to Cure in exchange for twenty lots, valued at \$200 each, located in Glenview, Ill. She gave Cure a deed to her property and received from him a like instrument purporting to convey the Glenview real estate to her. It transpires that the deed Cure delivered contained a description of other land than those bargained for and the victimized woman wants the court to help her out of her trouble.

A HAPPY SURPRISE.

Mrs. W. T. Mills Was Reminded of Her 53 Birthday.

Friends to the number of 30 took possession of the daintily furnished parlors of Mrs. W. T. Mills, Broadway last night and spent a pleasant evening in honor of her 53 birthday. Mrs. Mills was thoroughly surprised but nevertheless proved herself a charming hostess.

Misses Hazel Blanchard, Jennie and Maggie Green furnished recitations and vocal and instrumental music, and one of the most entertaining features of the evening was a recitation rendered by A. J. Kidd in behalf of the fellow assembled presented Mrs. Mills with a beautiful present.

Gold Democrats in Session.

GRAND RAPIDS, Dec. 3.—A meeting will be held this afternoon in this city to determine the future course of the sound money democratic state central committee. Chairman Shelby thinks the organization should be kept alive for use in an emergency should Garret but is not favorable to taking any active part in politics except as the money question is involved. He favors a reunion of the factions on old-time democratic principles.

Eighth Street Water Main Unnecessary.

The board of public works met last night and among other things decided that a water main on Eighth street was unnecessary.

Personal Ends.

"Saw you coming out of the barber's this morning," said the sociable boarder. "I went in on business connected with purely personal ends," replied Asbury Poppers with much dignity. "Oh, beg pardon, I"— "That is to say, I got my hair cut and my shoes shined."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The white lily in the south of Europe, particularly in Italy, is an emblem of sweetness, light and life. In some of the country districts of the Italian peninsula lilies are always placed on the coffins of young girls.

It. W. Baker, optician, 155 Lake ave.

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THANKSGIVING WEDDING.

A Benton Harbor Girl Weds in Massachusetts.

News of the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of Mrs. E. Johnson, Pipestone street, this city, and Charles W. Hayden, who is also well known here, has been received. The ceremony took place at the home of the groom's parents in West Haverhill, Massachusetts, on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden have the best wishes of a host of friends here.

THEY FELT SICK.

But the Trade Was a Big Advertisement.

Many people have forgotten all about the campaign deal at Coloma last fall in which a young man got an \$85 buggy for ten dollar gold pieces.

The Coloma hardware company was the firm who offered for days the best buggy in their stock for the gold coins and one day a clerk in one of the stores came to this city and St. Joseph and got the ten gold pieces for \$15 and went back and accepted the offer.

E. N. Huff, now of the Benton Harbor hardware company, was a partner in the Coloma firm and he says they really felt sick but didn't let on, when they accepted the tiny gold coins for their best buggy.

"But we didn't lose anything," said Mr. Huff this morning, "for it was the best advertisement we ever had and brought us a large amount of business that otherwise would not have come to us."

YOUNG LADY S. S. PUPILS.

They Were Entertained by Alva P. Cady Last Night.

Thirty-five young ladies were entertained at the Congregational parsonage by Attorney and Mrs. Alva P. Cady. They represented a portion of Mr. Cady's Sunday school class of the Congregational church, a class which is numerically the strongest in this county, having 51 members with an average attendance of 35.

The social arranged for the benefit of these young ladies was entirely of an informal nature but beamed with joyful features, both original and entertaining. Parlor games of every description were provided and a very elaborate luncheon was prepared.

During the course of the evening the organization of a literary society for the training of the members of the class exclusively was perfected. Officers were chosen as follows: President, Miss Theda Plimpton; vice president, Miss Ida Green; secretary, Miss Catherine Allen; Alva P. Cady.

The society will meet semi-monthly at the homes of the various members.

ICE SKATING IN VOGUE.

Ox Creek and the St. Joseph River Scenes of Animation.

Ice skating, which forms the chiefest of the winter sports in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, has been ushered in and already claims a great many devotees, especially among the school children.

For the past three or four days groups of skaters are frequenting Ox creek and claim the ice to be in excellent condition near the gas factory. The only fault they find is concerning the considerable area, which is scarcely 10 feet square. Yesterday afternoon there was upwards of 50 young men and ladies enjoying the sport at that place.

The votaries of this amusement at St. Joseph have been using the bayou of the river which has the outlet near the highway bridge. The ice there is firm and smooth but the snow of yesterday interfered with its condition considerably. Big crowds congregated there every afternoon and after school closes it is literally alive with boys and girls.

There are no outdoor amusements that hold so much of a charm for its devotees as ice skating, and there is probably no pastime more healthful if the indulgence is moderate.

G. A. R. Election.

The George H. Thomas post, G. A. R. elected officers at their regular meeting last night. Following is the list: H. Hemingway, C. J. A. Covell, S. V. C. E. Lewis, J. V. C. S. B. Kimball, quartermaster; George Fabel, officer of the day; Dr. Amick, surgeon; J. Jenkins, officer of the guard; trustees, Charles Warner and John Seel. Delegates to the state encampment, George Fabel and M. Hull; alternates, J. A. Covell and W. T. Withey.

Banquet of the "Know Not" Club.

Last evening a few invited friends met at the home of Charles W. Shriver, East Main street, and formed the "Know Not" club. The dining room was transformed into a blue room for the occasion and delicious refreshments were served. A jolly time was enjoyed until a late hour and the club knows not when it will meet again.

Probate Court.

Estate of Henry Nemitz, deceased, petition filed by Henry E. Nemitz, son and heir at law, for the probate of the last will and testament of said deceased, and that he, the said Henry E. Nemitz, be appointed executor of said estate. Hearing, December 28 at 10 a. m.

55 For a Guess.

Take a guess on the bottle of beans at Lacy's gallery and win a dozen of paint pictures.

MR. VALENTINE'S PLAN

He Has a Remedy for the Relief of the Overburdened Second Judicial District.

WOULD CREATE A NEW DISTRICT

Using the Counties now Comprising the Second, Fifth and Ninth Districts.

In connection with the proposition to detach Berrien county from the second judicial district and make it a district by itself Attorney George M. Valentine presents plans which are practical and ought to be thoroughly consistent with the desires of Cass county, which comprises the other part of this district.

The plan which Mr. Valentine is inclined to regard as the one which will appeal most favorably to the various counties concerned involves the creation of a new district. He has another proposition which has to do with a change in the fifth and ninth districts but this plan he considers impracticable on account of the possibility of its being unconstitutional as it would throw one of the judges now in office out of a job and although the legislature has the power to rearrange judicial districts it is prohibited from so arranging them that a judge will be relieved of his office.

The fifth judicial district comprises Barry, Eaton and Calhoun counties and the ninth Van Buren and Kalamazoo. If it were not constitutionally wrong Mr. Valentine would have Barry and Kalamazoo constitute one district, Eaton and Calhoun another, Van Buren and Cass the third and Berrien alone the fourth. The difficulty with such an arrangement is that Judge Smith of the fifth district resides in Barry county and Judge Buck of the ninth district in Kalamazoo county, bringing both judges in the same district and necessarily locating one of them out of office which there is grave doubt of the legislature being able to do.

The most practical plan in the mind of Mr. Valentine is to create another district from the second, fifth and ninth districts. He proposes that Barry and Eaton, be made a district, Kalamazoo and Calhoun another, Van Buren and Cass the third and Berrien the fourth. The only possible objection to this scheme aside from that of providing the salary of another judge is that of making Kalamazoo and Calhoun, both populous counties, into one district. The business of that district, however, would scarcely be as great as in the fifth district where there are now three counties.

The salary of a circuit judge is \$2,500 a year, and for this small consideration the counties of the second, fifth and ninth judicial districts should not be compelled to continue under the present inconvenient and harassing condition. The local attorneys are vigorously agitating a change and in all probability the matter will come up before the next legislature. Some relief, it is agreed by the members of the Berrien county bar, must be provided for this district in order that the circuit court business can be transacted with less inconvenience to attorneys and less expense to clients. The fact that the civil cases on the October calendar have not been reached yet is evidence of the vast amount of court business in this county.

THE VANDALIA TROUBLE.

Governor Matthews Has Ordered An Investigation.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—For more than thirty years the charge has been made at frequent intervals that the Terre Haute & Indianapolis railroad company—the Vandalia line—is not keeping an obligation with the state entered into at the time the road was chartered. It is asserted that the state is indebted to the school fund of the state in the sum of \$1,500,000. Recently two things have worked together to bring anew and with more earnestness than ever before a demand that the state shall ascertain, once for all, whether the obligation does exist.

The whole subject might have been allowed to pass into obscurity had not William R. McKee, who was president of the road for thirty years, entered the race for United States senator. His enemies immediately took hold of the old story as the weapon with which to defeat him. They had fairly begun the agitation when the railroad was thrown into the hands of a receiver, for the purpose, it is alleged, of enabling the Pennsylvania company to wipe out all the old debts and take complete charge of the road. No sooner had the receiver been appointed than the cry was raised that now is the time for the state to strike; that if it has a claim against the road it must be pushed now or never. The governor of Indiana has ordered an investigation into the affairs of the road.

The Short Days Are With Us.

We are just now having the shortest afternoons of the year, and they will remain at a standstill until the 13th, and then begin slowly to lengthen. The mornings will be getting shorter by some minutes until January 8, and then commence lengthening gradually. The shortest day from sunrise to sunset occurs December 21.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Universalist church will meet with Mrs. F. J. Soule Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

Fairplain.

FAIRPLAIN, Dec. 3.—George Race was married yesterday at noon to Miss Hathaway of Dowagiac. The happy pair has gone to Millits on their wedding trip.

Mrs. Peter Gordon will go to Genesee county, Michigan, on Thursday where she has been called by the serious illness of her mother.

WILL BUILD A CHURCH.

Some of the Pottawatomies Invest Their Money.

TEKONSHA, Dec. 3.—The Pottawatomies who reside at Indian town, near Athens, have placed \$900 in the hands of Rev. Mr. Chapman, a Methodist minister, for the purpose of building a chapel. The \$900 is part of the money that the Indians have just received from the government.

MAYOR RITCHER SAID "NO."

Vetoed the Ordinance for Another Telephone Company in Niles.

NILES, Dec. 3.—At the last meeting of the common council an ordinance was passed granting the American telephone and telegraph company a franchise for constructing and operating a telephone and telegraph line through this city.

Yesterday Mayor Ritcher disapproved the ordinance by veto. He gave three reasons: The city is already honeycombed with poles and wires; the city already has two telephone companies; the ordinance did not provide the maximum rate the company could charge.

TO LICENSE BARBERS.

Federation of Labor Demands Such a Law.

LANSING, Dec. 3.—At a session of the Michigan federation of labor yesterday a resolution originating with the Saginaw delegation proposes a rather startling restriction on the business of barbering. It declares in favor of appointing a state board to consist of "three experienced tonsors, who shall examine all applicants as to their qualifications to pursue the business of cutting hair, shaving, shampooing and the like, and shall admit such as are competent to the right to practice the art. By the terms of the printed bill which was introduced with the resolution, the board is to be supported by fees paid by the applicants. The fee is to be \$5. All persons now engaged in the business are required to register with the board and pay in a registration fee of \$1. The resolution was passed."

PITH OF THE NEWS.

Twenty thousand people saw Fitzsimmons and Sharkey fight ten rounds in San Francisco last night. Sharkey was carried from the ring unconscious but the victory was given him as the judges charged Fitzsimmons with an invisible foul. Sharkey is in the doctor's care. Everybody is disgusted with the result of the fight.

Ringling brothers' circus has arrived at its winter quarters, Baraboo, Wis. It is so cold there that several of the animals have died, others have lung trouble and all wear flannel jackets.

All the glass factories controlled by the trust resumed operation yesterday.

The employees of the Standard wheel company at Kalamazoo were disappointed yesterday when the factory did not start according to promise. Three hundred men were out of employment and many of them are in debt.

Vice President Stevenson expects a quiet session of congress.

It is said that Chairman Hanna has been delegated to offer the portfolio of secretary of state to Senator Sherman.

The condition at Chippewa Falls is improved and it is hoped the town will not be washed away by the flood.

St. Patrick and the Snake.

There is an old legend to the effect that St. Patrick banished all reptiles from Ireland by beating a drum, but no one, probably, seriously believes the story. According to the myth, he took his drum out for the purpose mentioned and commenced pounding it so vigorously that he knocked a hole in the drumhead, thus seriously endangering the success of the miracle. While pondering what to do St. Patrick was astonished by the appearance of an angel, who immediately set to work to mend the broken musical instrument. After the hole had been mended the angel vanished, and St. Patrick continued the work of serpent banishing, being successful in ridding the island of every representative of the snake tribe except one old stayer who had lived so long that his tusks protruded from his mouth like horns. This monster refused to leave the "land of his fathers," and the good saint resolved to practice a little piece of strategy. He removed the patch which the angel had put on the drumhead and then persuaded the serpent to creep into the drum for the night. When the reptile had done as requested, St. Patrick glued down the magic patch and then threw drum, serpent and all into the sea. A snake boulder off the west coast of Ireland is called St. Patrick's drum.—St. Louis Republic.

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REACH THE 4000 MARK

Chief Justice Hicks' Prophecy Concerning the Order of Patricians.

ALLOWS A YEAR FOR THAT GAIN.

Benton Court No. 1 Holds Its Initial Social—Many Applications Received.

Benton court No. 1, Order of Patricians, conducted a literary and gastronomic feast in Conkey's opera house last evening. It was the initial fete of the court, which is only a few weeks old, and the friends who paid their compliments at the first celebration of this infant organization are greatly delighted over their entertainment.

Luncheon was served from 7 until nearly 9 o'clock, during which time Fracelli's matchless orchestra played some delightful selections while the people present enjoyed a period of friendly conversation. After dinner Chief Justice William C. Hicks, of the supreme court, delivered an address.

Mr. Hicks declared that the promoters of the Order of Patricians, which had its inception in Benton Harbor, were not aspiring to governmental honors. They were not seeking aggrandizement as statesmen, but had been incited by a spirit of fraternity to provide an organization that would bring domestic felicity to every household. He considered it an honor to Benton Harbor to be able to claim the birthplace of the order and declared that the retention of the head offices here would result in great benefit, as hundreds of organizers and the office employees retained would have their residence here.

The order of Patricians was not an experiment, it was as old as feudalism. It was organized after the plan of the Modern Woodmen with the exception of possessing the advantage of smaller assessments, a feature making its benefits within the reach of every honest man.

Mr. Hicks was sanguine as to the success of the organization. Its wonderful growth in the brief period of its existence augured a future more brilliant and glorious than the history of any other secret society unfolds. Its advancement had no parallel and with the continuance of the present increase a membership of 4,000 by next October was predicted. Within three months from its organization the order would be financially sound and able to meet any reasonable mortuary indebtedness.

Touching upon the intimation that the board of directors or officers of the supreme court were untrusting in the misappropriation of the reserve fund Mr. Hicks said: "These men are entirely under your control. If you have a suspicion that extravagant or illegal uses are made of the money in the reserve fund you have recourse through the courts. You can have an investigation and if evidence of fraud exists the prompt removal of the guilty ones is within your power."

Lawyer George W. Bridgman spoke in a flattering way concerning the organization and at the close of the addresses a large number of applications for membership were received.

The Wreckage at Sangautuck.

It is now supposed that the great quantities of burned wood and wheat coming ashore at Sangautuck is from the elevator burned in Chicago a few weeks ago. The buoy marked J. H. Ketchum may be one of those thrown to the mercy of the big Johnson capsize in Chicago harbor.

Important to Marines.

The red buoy at the mouth of the St. Joseph harbor has been moved 150 feet north and is now situated at the north-west corner of the 13-foot shoal, the location of which every navigator knows.

To prevent the hardening of the subcutaneous tissues of the scalp and the obliteration of the hair follicles, which cause baldness, use Hall's Hair Renewer.

Persons puzzled about Christmas presents should see Poundstone. He can solve the puzzle satisfactorily.

Largest and finest line of picture moulding ever brought to either city at C. J. Peck's, 107 East Main street. 302/6

Nickle alarm clocks are down at Hollis & Son's, at 75 cents, that's right.

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CRADLE SONG.
To sleep the corn is sinking,
For heavy hangs its head;
The timid flowers are shrinking
From darkness in their bed.
The evening broods flocking,
Like gentle angels blest,
Come softly, softly rocking
The corn and flowers to rest.
Just as the flowers are shrinking,
So timid, too, art thou,
And as the corn hangs sinking,
So nod thy dear head now.
And sounds of evening winging,
Like gentle angels blest,
Come round thy cradle, singing
My darling one to rest.
—J. Edmund V. Cooke.

LABRADOR DOGS.

How a Number of Them Went on an Im-

prompt Hunt.

The dogs of Labrador are not only

most useful as draft animals, but for

hunting as well. A writer in Forest

and Stream, who has spent several ses-

sions in Labrador, relates a rather thrill-

ing experience with a team of these

dogs, who, he says, trot along content-

edly enough so long as there is no game

in sight, but the moment they scent

game they seem to conclude that drag-

ging a sled is for them merely a side is-

ue; that their actual mission in life is

to go after the game whenever it is

within range. He says:

"A thaw had been followed by a

frost, and the snow covering the ice on

the lakes was frozen hard. So four of

our party got on the sleigh to have a

final drive. They started in great glee,

and just as they rounded the first point

they saw a fine young caribou buck

about 500 yards ahead. As soon as the

dogs saw it they gave a yelp like a pack

of wolves and started like an arrow

from a bow after the caribou, which

looked round on hearing the yelp, saw

its pursuers and flew over the ice, keep-

ing in the middle of the lake. When the

dogs started with a jerk, one of the party

was thrown off violently and slid a long

way on the hard snow before he could

pull up, feeling red-hot from the fric-

tion and gazing wildly after his fast

disappearing comrades, who clung to

the sleigh like grim death and enjoyed

this novel hunt. Of course, there was

not the slightest chance of their catch-

ing the animal, which, instead of mak-

ing for the bush on the nearest shore,

held on in the middle of the lake, right

up to the end, where it took to the

woods. The impromptu hunters soon

found themselves in a difficulty, for it

was impossible to stop the dogs, who

could not realize that they had a sleigh

behind them with passengers. The

driver tried in vain to stop them, and

there was every probability of broken

limbs or necks when they would strike

the bush. However, they soon made up

their minds and dropped off one by one,

rolling over and over in the snow, or

sliding some distance away, with much

damage to their rather garments and

much abrasion of the cuticle. Mean-

while the dogs, relieved of the weight,

rushed after the deer, and, entering the

woods, got tangled up among the trees,

and, as usual on such occasions, wound

up with a free fight among themselves.

After extricating them the party re-con-

barked and drove quietly back to the

house, where they repaired damages,

related their adventure and wrote it

down in the club's logbook."

Nature's Cold Storage House.

In the valley of the Potomac river,

which flows from the Ural mountains

into the Atlantic ocean near Nova Zem-

bla, there is a state of things which is

attracting the attention of naturalists

and is only one more example of how

judiciously nature does her work when

her primitive conditions are observed.

This valley has a sturdy growth of

crowberries, cloudberry, cranberries,

any number of small fruit bearing

plants, with heath moss and lichens,

some of which bear seed and fruit in

great profusion. An eminent ornitho-

logist, in the course of his researches in

this locality, stopped for a little time.

There were millions of acres covered

with these growths. The Arctic summer

has a perpetual sun, and the indigenous

plants and trees grow and develop with

great rapidity. The summer comes sud-

denly, and with it innumerable birds

of all varieties, but they come to what

seems a barren waste, for there is nothing

visible but snow and ice. Within 24

hours, however, this frostbitten region

changes its appearance. The snow dis-

solves, the ice melts away, and nature's

bounty stands revealed. The autumn

snows fall here and cover the plants,

with their loads of fruit, keeping it in

the most perfect condition until the

springtime, when it furnishes food for

the millions of birds that make this

their summer home. —New York Ledger.

New York Chinese Quarters.

There is one feature of New York

amusements that is wholly unknown to

the Chinaman, and that is the concert

garden. To congregate in a public place

to drink intoxicating beverages, listen

to sensuous music and watch vulgar

displays of the human figure, to be

waited upon by young women of more

than questionable character, to take

part in profane and obscene talk, all

this is beneath the dignity of a Chi-

nesman, and nowhere in the Chinese quar-

ters, from beginning to end, can such a

place be found. But they are found on

the Bowery, and Germans, Irishmen,

Italians and Jews fill the places to the

doors. —Helen F. Clark in Century.

Too Much to Swallow.

"Inkwell nearly lost his job on the

paper yesterday."

"How was that?"

"He handed in an account of the

athletic sports and said one of the win-

ners of the foot races was a messenger

boy." —Washington Times.

When Nero made his artistic tour as

a musician and actor through the cities

of Greece, more than 400 crowns were

bestowed upon him, and when he re-

turned to Rome he deeded himself a

triumph and entered the city with his

crowns borne in solemn procession.

A QUEER EPITAPH.

In Memory of Two Boys Who Thought

They Ate Mushrooms.

Piscataway is one of the oldest towns

in New Jersey. It was founded in 1666

and was intended to be the capital of

the colony, but it did not grow, while

its rivals, New Brunswick, Rahway and

Elizabeth, became thriving villages. At

present there is little to interest the cas-

ual visitor to the sleepy village, but that

little is good of its kind.

There is old Mr. Mundy, the village

wheelwright, who at 80 is still a fine

shot with gun or rifle. Twenty-five

years ago he accompanied a New York

merchant on a hunting trip to the far

west, and since then not a year has

passed without their taking a hunting

trip to the west or south. Old as these

crônicas are, they cannot make up their

minds to forego their hunting. Then

there is the old elder mill whose ram-

shackle appearance belies the purity and

strength of the applejack resting in its

dark cellar. Finally, there is the cen-

terry of the old Episcopal church, the

first house of worship erected in the

place. In response to inquiries the other

day the sexton, who holds also the offices

of gravedigger and roadmaster said:

"Well, there might be some interest-

ing gravestones there, and then again

there mightn't. They don't interest me.

Looking Up Blankets



The chilly nights of Fall make extra coverings a necessity. The prudent housekeeper will see how the supply has stood the summer in the moth proof chest. If there is a demand for new ones now is the opportunity to secure them

Strong Arguments

Are needed most for weak causes, but our goods and prices speak for themselves. Remember we are agents for Wettimier & Co's Kid Gloves, the best in the market.

JAMES POUND...

Notice.

THE producers of Anthracite Coal seem to have adopted the theory that their product is something you must have and have placed a cold weather price on their commodity in midsummer. We are now receiving our stock of Anthracite from the Wilkes-Barre region, the best in the market and sell your orders at current prices. No coupons are given away with this coal, neither do we make any extravagant promises as to the latent energy (heat) which it contains. We simply offer it on a business basis. If, as the big guns in the business assume, hard coal is something you must have regardless of price, we are ready and even anxious to supply you. As the amusement man in the circus would say, "We are here for that purpose."

BENTON FUEL CO.,
Office: Graham & Morton Bldg, Water Street.

NOTICE..

328 We Are Not on the Corner Pipestone St. is the Place

We have put in a stock of **SCHOOL SUPPLIES and STATIONERY**
Our Stock of Groceries is Most Complete and Fresh
Prompt delivery to all parts of the city...

Michael & Beeny

**New Stock,
New Store,
New Business..**

Joseph Frick has re-opened at his old stand with a new, clean and up-to-date stock of Boots and Shoes and Rubber Goods. He will be pleased to have you call and select your footwear from a new, fresh stock and at prices that cannot be met.

We thank all our customers for their former patronage and assure them that we are anxious to continue to serve them, and sell them good goods at lower prices than can possibly be obtained in the city. We also continue to do repairing neatly and promptly and at the lowest prices.

...JOSEPH FRICK

113 Territorial Street,
Next to old opera house site...

We Are New...

And wish to make your acquaintance at as early a date as possible.

Perhaps You Knew

The old firm and the high grade of

..Shelf and Heavy Hardware

They carried. WE HAVE THE STOCK and are making prices that will make you our friends and customers from the start. For this month we are making special prices on

RED CROSS COAL and WOOD STOVES

None better on the market.

**Benton Harbor
...Hardware Company**
HUTT & ANDERSON, Proprietors

ROBBERS' DEN.

The Officers are Looking For One Near Niles.

NILES, Mich., Dec. 2.—Indiana and Michigan officers are hunting for a robber, roost, supposed to be located between Niles and Newcast, Ind. For two weeks southern Michigan counties and Indiana counties adjoining have been overrun by a gang of thieves, who are supposed to be in safe a kings and burglaries.

Many village stores have been pilaged, the value of the goods stolen aggregating thousands of dollars. In Indiana the gang has been bold, breaking into freight cars, stealing goods and cutting them away by the wagon load.

A few days ago a freight car was broken into near South Bend and several cases of shoes stolen. South Bend officers traced the thieves to west of this city, where all traces of them were lost.

The section west of here has long been considered tough, especially over the Indiana line, on the Chicago road, where many hold-ups and murders have taken place.

This gang is also supposed to know something about the numerous counterfeit half dollars that have been circulated freely hereabouts lately.

MANY HAVE STARTED.

Logging Camps Will Begin Work at Marilla.

MARILLA, Mich., Dec. 3.—All the logging camps in this neighborhood are making preparations to begin work, and many have already started. It is the dawn of an apparently prosperous winter.

CAN HOLD TWO OFFICES.

Supreme Court So Decides in the Sheridan Case.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 3.—The supreme court has decided that Thos. Sheridan, clerk of Montgomery county and supervisor of Vienna township, may hold both offices. The duties of the two are held not to be incompatible with each other.

COAL SHEDS AFIRE.

Did \$80,000 Damage on the Boston & Maine Railroad.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 2.—A fire today in the coal sheds of the Boston & Maine railroad at the rear of the state prison in Charleston, did \$80,000 damage. A fall of the portion of the shed upon the tracks of the Fitchburg division blocked the track several hours. Fireman Ryan slipped on the ice while working at the fire and sustained a fracture of the leg.

NICHOLS' HAT FOUND.

Albion Student Probably Drowned Himself.

ALBION, Mich., Dec. 3.—A farmer yesterday brought in a hat found near Spectacle lake, about three miles west of this place, which has been identified as one belonging to George Nichols, the missing student from Galesburg. On account of the lake being frozen over there will be much difficulty in dragging for the body, but there is no longer reason to doubt that Mr. Nichols committed suicide.

THE NOVEMBER STATEMENT.

The Government Ran Behind Some \$9,000,000.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 3.—A comparative statement of receipts and expenditures of the United States shows the receipts for November were \$25,210,000, the expenditures \$34,200,720. The receipts for five months of the fiscal year amounted to \$171,597,335. The deficit for November, therefore, is \$8,990,044, and for five months, \$39,940,846, as compared with \$15,909,337 for the corresponding five months past year. This loss in customs' receipts compared with November, 1895, is \$1,524,026; the gain from internal revenue, \$64,744; and a gain of \$684,379 from miscellaneous sources.

A STORMY MONTH

Prof. Hicks Predicts Many Blizzards for December.

According to Hicks the first week in December will bring active storms, with changes to very cold. Many fierce gales will attend these storms, especially on the northern lakes and a cold wave of much severity will follow, lasting until about the 7. From the 7 to the 13 more storms are scheduled, accompanied by rain and snow at the latter part of the period. The 14 and 15 are described as certain to bring reactionary disturbances. Stormy weather may be expected from these dates until the end of the month.

Warm waves, low barometer, with winter thunder and lightning, attending by high and dangerous gales and ending in a sudden change to sweeping blizzards and cold waves. From the 19 to the 23 is expected to be a particular period of this sort, but if it should not come the delay will only give it additional force and effect.

All are warned to be on the watch for the appearance of this blizzard, the extent of which cannot be told. The 26 to the 30 constitutes another period of threatening disaster. Look for destructive rains, with lightning and thunder, turning to vast sleet storms, blizzards and blockades. It is humbly advised that special arrangements be made for sheltering and protecting live stock from the fearful weather of December.

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

WILL BE HANNA OR BLISS.

McKinley's Second Choice for the Treasury Portfolio.

CANTON, Dec. 3.—The story that treasury portfolio has been offered to Cornelius N. Bliss, of New York, is doubted here. It all depends upon Mr. Hanna's intentions, and he has come to no conclusion. Should he refuse to go into the cabinet, Mr. Bliss would doubtless be Mr. McKinley's next personal choice.

GOOD ROADS PEOPLE

They Are Now In Session at Grand Rapids.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 3.—Senator Barnard presided at the adjourned meeting of the good roads association of the Fifth congressional district of Michigan, which was called to order this morning.

Officers were elected as follows: President, S. S. Bailey; vice presidents, H. G. Holt, J. W. Shisler, B. O'Brien, Jesse Armstrong, C. W. Garfield, D. C. Lyle and John Manchester, of Kent county; S. Sheldon, John Owens and John Jackson, of Ottawa county; Herbert Powell, J. D. Morse and W. J. Rice, of Ionia county; secretary, A. B. Richmond; executive committee, Geo. W. McBride, of Ottawa; E. M. Barnard, of Kent, and W. F. Whitmeyer, of Ionia.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved, That this association is in favor of doing away with the labor highway tax, and that all taxes be paid in money, as we believe that less tax, in money, would accomplish more for highway improvements than is now secured, and that the law be so formed that persons assessed for highway tax can pay the same in labor, provided on being notified they will do the same amount of work for the same pay that the commissioner of highways pays for the work done on the highways.

Resolved, That there be created a state highway fund, which under certain regulations, may be used to contract in part, main traveled roads in the state.

Resolved, That we are in favor of a state highway commission, appointed by the governor, and confirmed by the senate.

Resolved, That the office of pathmaster be abolished and all money collected in townships be expended by the commissioner, and all contracts over \$25 must be approved by the township board.

Resolved, That the state constitution be changed so that the state can give aid under certain restrictions for the improvement of the roads of the counties, and also that property now paying a specific tax, none of which can be used for highways, shall be made to contribute to the highway fund.

The entire morning was spent in the discussion of whether or not to suspend the rules and allow all present to vote on the adoption of the resolutions. Many farmers and others present, who are interested in the movement, but who were unwilling to join the association yet, wanted a voice in the proceedings. Just before the noon adjournment it was voted to suspend the rules and allow all to vote. The sessions will close tonight.

HE IS 19 YEARS OLD.

Fred Edus Wants a Divorce From His Wife, Aged 18.

MUSKOGEE, Mich., Dec. 3.—Fred Edus has brought suit in the circuit court for a divorce from his wife. He states in his bill that his wife refuses to have anything to do with him, and says she never will. Edus is 19 years old. His wife's age is 18. They were married last July.

Many lives of usefulness have been cut short by neglect to break up an ordinary cold. Pneumonia, bronchitis and even consumption can be averted by the prompt use of One Minute Cough Cure. H. L. Bird.

William Jennings Bryan ate a box of Bird's fine candies the day after election. He said: "It was the only thing that could calm his troubled spirits. Bird always keeps the best."

For the Next Ten Days

We will give 20 per cent off on any stove in our store. This offer is for cash. Benton Harbor Hardware company.

DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is an antiseptic, soothing and healing application for burns, scalds, cuts, bruises, etc. and cures piles like magic. It instantly stops pain. H. L. Bird.

All parties wanting Photos for Xmas had better call for settings on or before Dec. 15th. J. N. POUTNOSTONE.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

S. C. Brown, who has for the past two years run a barber shop in the Phoenix hotel, has now taken an interest in the Hotel Benton barber shop. He extends a special invitation to his customers to come and see him in his new place of business.

Very respectfully,
S. C. BROWN,
Hotel Benton Barber Shop. 302-6t

Eight day clocks took a drop, did you hear them fall at Hollis & Son's at \$2.95?

Fine watch works and engraving a specialty at Hollis & Son's, the old reliable jewelers. 350-26

R. W. Baker, optician, 155 Lake ave 318-7

The City Steam laundry does more work than all other laundries in Berrien county combined. It is fine work that has built up the trade.

Elgin movements and silverline case they also took a tumble at Hollis & Son's to \$5.50, complete watch.

Of all the paths leading to a woman's heart a box of Bird's candy is the straightest. Bird always keeps the best.

You can make twelve Christmas presents for the price of one by calling on Foundatione. 302-1

Have you got good teeth? Stick them into Bird's fine loz. Bird always sells the best.

FIRST MAN TO TAKE ETHER.

It Was Administered to Him by Dr. Morton in 1846.

Some interesting facts regarding the first patient under ether are told by Dr. Samuel A. Green in his Groton Historical Series.

The subject was Ebenezer Hopkins Frost, a native of Groton, now dead, who is well remembered by many persons in Boston. He was a son of Solomon and Doreen (Hopkins) Frost and was born on Dec. 7, 1834. He became noted as a singer and teacher of vocal music, and was a member of the Handel and Haydn society of Boston.

Dr. Morton first tried on himself the experiment of inhaling ether, and in describing the effect it produced he said:

"Delighted with the success of this experiment, I immediately announced the result to the persons employed in my establishment, and waited impatiently for some one upon whom I could make a fuller trial. Toward evening a man residing in Boston came in suffering great pain and wishing to have a tooth extracted. He was afraid of the operation, and asked if he could be mesmerized. I told him I had something better, and saturating my handkerchief gave it to him to inhale. It was dark and Dr. Hayden held the lamp while I extracted a firmly rooted buccal tooth.

"There was not much alteration in the pulse and no relaxation of the muscles. He recovered in a minute, and knew nothing of what had been done to him. He remained for some time talking about the experiment. This was on the 30th of September, 1846. I considered it to be the first demonstration of this new fact in science. I have heard of no one who can prove an earlier demonstration, if any one can do so, I yield him the point of priority of time."

Immediately after the operation Frost gave a certificate corroborating the statement and signed himself as then living at 42 Prince street, Boston. Nearly 20 years afterward he died at Fitchburg, on Sept. 7, 1865.

Much in Little

Is especially true of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small space. They are a whole medicine

Hood's Pills

chest, always ready, always efficient, always satisfactory; prevent a cold or fever cure all liver ills, sick headache, jaundice, constipation, etc. 25c. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparila.

Fifteen jewel Elgin movements and 2500-warrant. Loss gold filled hunting case, complete watch, ladies size \$15.25, gents size \$18.50. Ticket with every purchase. We mean what we say. Come and see us. Hollis & Son

Chronic constipation is a painful, disagreeable and life-shortening difficulty. It deranges the system, causes sick headache, bad breath, and poisons the blood. It can be readily overcome by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These little pills are great regulators. H. L. Bird.

CALIFORNIA

If you are going there

by all means inquire about the Burlington Route Personally Conducted Excursions to San Francisco and Los Angeles, which leave Chicago every Wednesday with a Pullman Palace Warder Car through to destination. The Route is via Denver, the Denver & Rio Grande Ry. (Sociale Line) and Salt Lake City. The cars are fitted with carpets, upholstered seats, mattresses, pillows, blankets, bed linen, berth curtains, toilet rooms, heat and light, and in fact, all the conveniences of a standard Pullman Palace car. They lack only some of the expensive finish of the Pullman run on the limited express trains, while the cost per berth is only about one-third (1/3) of the price.

Write for full particulars to T. A. GRADY, Excursion Manager, C. B. & Q. R. L., 211 Clark Street, Chicago, Ill.

Tetter, eczema and all similar skin troubles are cured by the use of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It soothes at once, and restores the tissues to their natural condition, and never fails to cure piles. H. L. Bird.

Save your money. But if you must get rid of it, spend it on good things like those fine candies at Bird's drug store.

A good assortment of fresh candies at Hall & Nichols.

Many political speakers, clergymen, singers and others who use the voice excessively, rely upon One Minute Cough Cure to prevent hoarseness and laryngitis. Its value as a preventive is only equaled by its power to afford instantaneous relief. H. L. Bird.

Or for a lodge in some vast wilderness where I can be alone with a box of Bird's fine candies always sells the best.

"They are so little you hardly know you are taking them. They cause no griping, yet they act quickly and most thoroughly. Such are the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Small in size, great in results. H. L. Bird.

Hot For Florida.

The C. C. C. & St. L. R'y. (Big Four route) have their tourist tickets on sale now good to return until April 30. We will be glad to explain fully our rates, connections and time; and remember that we are the only direct line from this part of the country for Florida.

L. G. SMITH.

Speed and safety are the watchwords of the age. One Minute Cough Cure acts speedily, safely and never fails. Asthma, bronchitis, coughs and colds are cured by it. H. L. Bird.

"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Washburn's Gold Medal flour—all good grocers sell it. 156-1

55 for a Guest.

Take a guess on the bottle of beans at Lucy's gallery and win a dozen of parol pictures. 350-23

UNDERWEAR ..SALE..

AT THE

Chicago . Bargain . Store

..Leaders of Low and Popular Prices..

Children's Elastic Ribbed Vest and Pants, sizes 10 to 22.....at 15c
Misses' Elastic Ribbed Vest and Pants, sizes 24 to 32.....at 25c
Children's Merino Vest and Pants, sizes 10 to 22.....at 15c
Misses' Merino Vest and Pants, sizes 24 to 32.....at 25c
Children's and Misses' Natural Wool (Sanitary) Vest and Pants, from 30c up.
Boys' Heavy Grey Clouded Shirts and Drawers.....at 25c
Boys' Merino Shirts and Drawers at 30c
Odd lot Vest and Pants, sizes 10 to 22.....at 10c each
Odd lot Vest and Pants, sizes 24 to 32.....at 15c each
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed, Fleece Vest and Pants.....at 25c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed, Fleece Vest and Pants.....at 30c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed, Fleece Vest and Pants.....at 40c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Natural Australian Wool Vest and Pants.....at 10c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Fleece Union Suits.....at 50c each
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Saxony Wool Fleece Vest and Pants.....at 40c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Union Suits, Fleece.....at 90c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Union Suits, Saxony Wool Fleece.....at \$1.49

Ladies' Medicated, Scarlet, fine Lamb's Wool Vest and Pants.....at 90c
Ladies' Fine Natural Lamb's Wool (Sanitary) Vest and Pants.....at 90c
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Esquestrienne, Fine Worsted Black.....at \$1.00
Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Fine Natural Worsted Union Suit.....at \$1.00
Men's Double Breasted Shirts and Drawers.....at 24c
Men's Natural Random Mixed, Double Breasted Shirts and Drawers.....at 30c
Men's Fleece Lined Shirts and Drawers.....at 40c
Men's Extra Heavy Natural Camel's Hair Shirts and Drawers.....at 40c
Men's Extra Heavy Jersey Ribbed Fleece Lined Fanny Shirts and Drawers.....at 40c
Men's all Wool Scarlet Medicated Shirts and Drawers.....at 70c
Men's Fine Merino Shirts and Drawers.....at 40c
Men's Natural Lamb's Wool Shirts and Drawers.....at \$1.00
Men's Undyed Natural Scotch Wool Shirts and Drawers.....at 70c
Odd lot Shirts.....at 40c
Full line of Ladies' Flannel Night Gowns.....at 80c, 90c and \$1.39
Lot Men's Overshirts at 40c, 60c, 90c and \$1.39.

The above sale takes place at the

Chicago Bargain Store

..Leaders of Low and Popular Prices..

106 East Main Street

Hotel Benton Block

Groceries .. Groceries

We have added to our stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries a complete line of Appetizers, consisting of HENIZE'S SWEET PICKLES, in Bulk and Bottle. Mixed Pickles, Chow Chow, Salad Dressing, Bulk Olives, Baked Beans, Maple Syrup & Buckwheat and are Selling a Box of Fine Toilet Soap of 3 bars for 5 Cents.

FREE DELIVERY...

..HALL & ABBOTT

115 West Main St.
Benton Harbor, Mich...

Union Ice & Coal Company

Can and will furnish you hard **COAL** At prices as low as the lowest. and soft...

Leave Orders at A. H. Conkey & Son's Grocery Store
TELEPHONE 79-3 rings.

THE . NEW . YORK . STORE

Cut Prices

On Ladies' Cloth and Plush Capes

\$ 5.00 Cloth Capes at \$ 3.89	\$13.00 Plush Capes at \$10.00
6.00 " " 4.89	18.50 " " 18.00
8.00 " " 6.00	18.00 " " 14.50
15.00 " " 11.48	

Blankets--Never so Cheap Before...

60 pairs 10-4 Grey Blankets, at 44c pair
White wool Blankets worth \$4.00..... at \$2.65 pair
" " " " 5.50..... at 4.00 pair
" " " " 6.00..... at 4.75 pair

Shoes and Rubbers

We are selling cheaper than any other store, because we are giving our customers the benefit of our bargain purchases, which explains for the wonderfully low prices this department offers.

PUTERBAUGH & RAPP

107 Pipestone Street...

Farmers and Merchants ..BANK..

BENTON HARBOR, Mich., Capital \$50,000. BYRON, ILL. Capital \$50,000.
JOHN ROBERTSON, President. CHAS. FORTNEY, Cashier.
R. M. JONES, Vice Pres. C. E. WINDLEY, Secy.
DIRECTORS: John Robinson, R. E. Stewart, William Stewart, R. A. Plummer, Edwin Smith, C. E. Hill, E. M. Jones, W. P. Roberts, and Charles Foster.
Do a General Banking Business.
..Savings Department..
Interest paid on Deposits.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Capital - \$50,000.
Surplus 40,000.

Deposits received in any amount. Loans on approved collateral. Loans investments made for depositors. Letters of credit and exchange facilities furnished. Interest Allowed on Time Deposits.

DIRECTORS: J. STANLEY ROBERTSON, C. M. BROWN, R. A. BAXLEY, JAMES BAXLEY.

Our Bakery Goods...

Are made of the very best material. Our

Cakes and Pies are Home Made

You will find it cheaper to patronize us than to worry along trying to do your own baking.

S. M. AUSTIN & CO.
Bakery and Grocery, 118 East Main Street.

N. B.—Orders taken for bakery goods by our delivery wagon and goods delivered.

...COME TO THE Big Market..

TO THE

WE LEAD THEM ALL

Fresh Cuts of all Kinds of Meat

OYSTERS, FISH, ETC.

J. J. MILLER

The Meat Man

OPPOSITE RIGBER HOUSE..

It Takes

Rind

To deal with all classes of people, and

DAVE RYAN

is the man who has opened with a nice clean stock of

Groceries..

A large bankrupt stock of SHOT GUNS and RIFLES of all kinds for sale at

Jackson's Toy Store

Water street, Benton Harbor, Mich. Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Mich. Winchester Repeating Rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$14 each. See the old and new models Quackenbush 22's and other Target Guns. One Colt's Repeating Rifle second-hand at \$7, one Winchester Single Shot Rifle, second-hand, at \$8, Spencer Repeating Shot Gun, 8 shot, at \$17, and I have Double Barrel Breech Loading Shot Guns both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and \$12 each, Single Barrel Breech Loaders, both new and second-hand, at \$5, \$6 and \$7 each, Muzzle Loading Shot Guns at the lowest prices, one Winchester Repeating Shot Gun second-hand at \$10. Loaded Paper Shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a leader at 35 cents per box; paste that in your hat. A full and complete line of Winchester rifles, shotguns and shot pouches; primers, snips, turkey and duck calls; shot gun shells loaded with smokeless powder; bowie knives and knives for hunters; pasteboard and felt wads; water proof and G.D. gun caps; all kinds of new and second-hand revolvers; leaders are 32 center fire at \$1.50, 38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are of the bull dog pattern, and they are all right and I am selling today the 32 and 38 center fire both blue and nickel. 5 and 7 shot rubber handle rifle, barrel, fluted cylinder, break down shell ejector, 4 inch barrel, Smith and Wesson pattern for \$3 and how is that for a leader on guns? Holders for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark lanterns for even hunters and the Morhouse traps for trappers, and compasses, boxing gloves, iron dumbbells. Foot balls all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckles, dog chains, collars and muzzles.

After Nov 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw fur and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property and that I have

A large grain sack full of unredeemed WATCHES of all kinds.

62 solid gold rings. Banjos, guitars and violins at one-third first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods for 10 years in Benton Harbor. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold.

CHARLES A. JACKSON
Dealer in Almost Everything.....

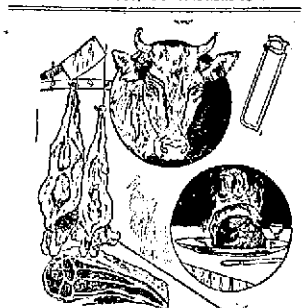


"Something warm" is the name of a very good doctor. There is hardly a ill that heat will not relieve. The most convenient, spry and comfortable way of taking heat is in the shape of a hot water bottle—some of those we are selling for \$1.00.

They are honestly made, and should be in every household. For pain, for wet feet, for cold, pains of almost every sort, there is nothing to equal them.

Best Made Hot Water Bottle, \$1.00
DR. J. J. FABRY

...German Physician and Surgeon
Office and Residence:
110 Water Street, Benton Harbor.



We Eat Meat

to grow strong. Unless we get good meat, we may as well let it alone. There is no strength in tough meat instead of giving it takes strength to digest it. It pays to be careful in buying meat—be sure you get the best tender and choice. Pay a little more if need be, and put something in your stomach which will put flesh on your bones, and strong blood in your heart.

...HIRSCH BROS.
Two Stores 220 Pipestone Street
202 Territorial St.

BUSS MACHINE WORKS

Formally Transferred to Local and Grand Rapids Banking Institutions.

PRESIDENT BAILEY HOPEFUL.

Says the New Owners Will Endeavor to Get the Plant in Operation.

The deed conveying the Buss machine works to the First National bank of this city, and the State Bank of Michigan, of Grand Rapids, for the sum of \$23,800 was recorded with the register of deeds today. The consideration named is merely nominal.

The transfer, as will be remembered was made some time ago, the firm of Butterworth & Lowe, of Grand Rapids bidding in the property for the banking institutions, but the formal conveyance of the same to the indirect purchasers was necessarily delayed until today.

This afternoon President Bailey, of the First National bank, made the following reference to the deal: "Yes, the Buss Machine works, including the land, the buildings, the half completed machines, boilers, electrical appliances and everything included in the buildings, is the property of the First National bank of this city and the State Bank of Michigan, of Grand Rapids. We are in receipt of letters almost daily making inquiries concerning the institution and with the understanding in of the revival in business anticipated we may reasonably hope to dispose of the property on terms satisfactory to ourselves. We shall make a spirited effort to get the shop in operation at an early date. We have had several opportunities to transfer it, but the would be purchasers in every case were not sufficiently strong financially to furnish us with the protection that strictly business principles demand."

DECEIVED BY A DEED.

Berrien Springs Woman the Victim of a Smooth Deal.

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Walters of Berrien Springs, has filed a bill of complaint in the circuit court commencing proceedings against Horatio Cure of Chicago, to remove what she considers a cloud on her title to the Hotel Berrien property, valued at \$7,000.

She made an agreement to convey this property to Cure in exchange for twenty lots, valued at \$200 each, located in Glenview, Ill. She gave Cure a deed to her property and received from him a like instrument purporting to convey the Glenview real estate to her. It transpires that the deed Cure delivered contained a description of other land than those bargained for and the victimized woman wants the court to help her out of her trouble.

A HAPPY SURPRISE.

Mrs. W. T. Mills Was Reminded of Her 53 Birthday.

Friends to the number of 30 took possession of the daintily furnished parlors of Mrs. W. T. Mills, Broadway last night and spent a pleasant evening in honor of her 53 birthday. Mrs. Mills was thoroughly surprised but nevertheless proved herself a charming hostess.

Misses Hazel Blanchard, Jennie and Maggie Green furnished recitations and vocal and instrumental music, and one of the most entertaining features of the evening was a recitation rendered by Mrs. O. Hubbard. Before leaving A. J. Kidd in behalf of the friends assembled presented Mrs. Mills with a beautiful present.

Gold Democrats in Session.

GRAND RAPIDS, Dec. 3.—A meeting will be held this afternoon in this city to determine the future course of the sound money democratic state central committee. Chairman Shelby thinks the organization should be kept alive for use in an emergency except as the money question is involved. He favors a reunion of the factions on old-time democratic principles.

Eight Street Water Main Unnecessary.

The board of public works met last night and among other things decided that a water main on Eighth street was unnecessary.

Personal Rule.

"Save your coming out of the barber's this morning," said the sociable boarder.

"I went in on business connected with purely personal ones," replied Asbury Peppers with much dignity.

"Oh, beg pardon, I—"

"That is to say, I got my hair cut and my shoes shined."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The white lily in the south of Europe, particularly in Italy, is an emblem of sweetness, light and life. In some of the country districts of the Italian peninsula lilies are always placed on the coffins of young girls.

R. W. Baker, optician, 135 Lake ave 31810

THANKSGIVING WEDDING.

A Benton Harbor Girl Weds in Massachusetts.

News of the marriage of Miss Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of Mrs. E. Johnson, Pipestone street, this city, and Charles W. Hayden, who is also well known here, has been received. The ceremony took place at the home of the groom's parents in West Harwich, Massachusetts, on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayden have the best wishes of a host of friends here.

THEY FELT SICK.

But the Trade Was a Big Advertisement.

Many people have forgotten all about the campaign deal at Colum that fall in which a young man got an \$85 buggy for ten dollar gold pieces.

The Coloma hardware company was the firm who offered for days the best buggy in their stock for the gold coins and one day a clerk in one of the stores came to this city and St. Joseph and got the ten gold pieces for \$15 and went back and accepted the offer.

P. N. Hull, now of the Benton Harbor hardware company, was a partner in the Coloma firm and he says they really felt sick but didn't let on, when they accepted the tiny gold coins for their best buggy.

"But we didn't lose anything," said Mr. Hull this morning, "for it was the best advertisement we ever had and brought us a large amount of business that otherwise would not have come to us."

YOUNG LADY S. S. PUPILS.

They Were Entertained by Alva P. Cady Last Night.

Thirty-five young ladies were entertained at the Congregational parsonage by Attorney and Mrs. Alva P. Cady. They represented a portion of Mr. Cady's Sunday school class of the Congregational church, a class which is numerically the strongest in this county, having 51 members with an average attendance of 36.

The social program for the benefit of these young ladies was entirely of an informal nature but larded with joyful features, both original and entertaining. "Parlor games of every description were provided and a very elaborate luncheon was prepared.

During the course of the evening the organization of a literary society for the training of the members of the class exclusively was perfected. Officers were chosen as follows: President, Miss Theda Plimpton; vice president, Miss Ida Green; secretary, Miss Catherine Allen; critic, Alva P. Cady.

The society will meet semi-monthly at the homes of the various members.

ICE SKATING IN VOGUE.

Ox Creek and the St. Joseph River Scenes of Animation.

Ice skating, which forms the chiefest of the winter sports in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph, has been ushered in and already claims a great many devotees, especially among the school children.

For the past three or four days groups of skaters have frequented Ox creek and claim the ice to be in excellent condition near the gas factory. The only fault they find is concerning the considerable area, which is scarcely 40 feet square. Yesterday afternoon there were upwards of 30 young men and ladies enjoying the sport at that place.

The votaries of this amusement at St. Joseph have been using the bayon of the river which has its outlet near the highway bridge. The ice there is firm and smooth but the snow of yesterday interfered with its condition considerably. Big crowds congregate there every afternoon and after school closes it is literally alive with boys and girls.

There are no outdoor amusements that hold so much of a charm for its seekers as ice skating, and there is probably no pastime more healthful if the indulgence is moderate.

G. A. R. Meeting.

The George H. Thomas post, G. A. R. elected officers at their regular meeting last night. Following is the list: L. Houtingway, C. J. A. Correll, S. V. C. F. Lewis, J. V. C. S. B. Kimball, quartermaster; George Pales, officer of the day; Dr. Aumick, surgeon; J. Jenkins, officer of the guard; trustees, Charles Warner and John Seed. Delegates to the state encampment, George Pales and M. Hull; alternates, J. A. Correll and W. T. Widney.

Busquet of the "Know No" Club.

Last evening a few invited friends met at the home of Charles W. Shriver, East Main street, and formed the "Know No" club. The dining room was transformed into a blue room for the occasion and delicious refreshments were served. A jolly time was enjoyed until a late hour and the club knows not when it will meet again.

Probate Court.

Estate of Henry Nemitz, deceased, petition filed by Henry E. Nemitz, son and heir at law, for the probate of the last will and testament of said deceased, and that he, the said Henry E. Nemitz, be appointed executor of said estate. Hearing, December 28 at 10 a. m.

\$5 for a Green.

Take a guess on the bottle of beans at Lacy's gallery and win a dozen of pavel pictures.

MR. VALENTINE'S PLAN

He Has a Remedy for the Relief of the Overburdened Second Judicial District.

WOULD CREATE A NEW DISTRICT

Using the Counties now Comprising the Second, Fifth and Ninth Districts.

In connection with the proposition to detach Berrien county from the second judicial district and make it a district by itself Attorney George M. Valentine presents plans which are practical and ought to be thoroughly consistent with the desires of Cass county, which comprises the other part of this district.

The plan which Mr. Valentine is inclined to regard as the one which will appeal most favorably to the various counties concerned involves the creation of a new district. He has another proposition which has to do with a change in the fifth and ninth districts but this plan he considers impracticable on account of the possibility of its being unconstitutional as it would throw one of the judges now in office out of a job and although the legislature has the power to rearrange judicial districts it is prohibited from so arranging them that a judge will be relieved of his office.

The fifth judicial district comprises Barry, Eaton and Calhoun counties and the ninth Van Buren and Kalamazoo. If it were not constitutionally wrong Mr. Valentine would have Barry and Kalamazoo constitute one district, Eaton and Calhoun another, Van Buren and Cass the third and Berrien alone the fourth. The difficulty with such an arrangement is that Judge Smith of the fifth district resides in Barry county and Judge Buck of the ninth district in Kalamazoo county, bringing both judges in the same district and necessarily legislating one of them out of office which there is grave doubt of the legislature being able to do.

The most practical plan in the mind of Mr. Valentine is to create another district from the second, fifth and ninth districts. He proposes that Barry and Eaton, be made a district, Kalamazoo and Calhoun another, Van Buren and Cass the third and Berrien the fourth. The only possible objection to this scheme aside from that of providing the salary of another judge is that of making Kalamazoo and Calhoun, both populous counties, into one district. The business of that district, however, would scarcely be as great as the fifth district, where there are now three counties.

The salary of a circuit judge is \$2,500 a year, and for this small consideration the counties of the second, fifth and ninth judicial districts should not be compelled to continue under the present inconvenient and harassing condition. The local attorneys are vigorously agitating a change and in all probability the matter will come up before the next legislature.

Some relief, it is agreed by the members of the Berrien county bar, must be provided for this district in order that the circuit court business can be transacted with less inconvenience to attorneys and less expense to clients. The fact that the civil cases on the October calendar have not been reached yet is evidence of the vast amount of court business in this county.

THE VANDALIA TROUBLE.

Governor Matthews Has Ordered An Investigation.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 3.—For more than thirty years the charge has been made at frequent intervals that the Terre Haute & Indianapolis railroad company—the Vandalia line—is not keeping an obligation with the state entered into at the time the road was chartered. It is asserted that the road is indebted to the school fund of the state in the sum of \$1,500,000. Recently two things have worked together to bring anew and with more earnestness than ever before a demand that the state shall ascertain, once for all, whether the obligation does exist.

The whole subject might have been allowed to pass into obscurity had not William L. McKee, who was president of the road for thirty years, entered the race for United States senator. His enemies immediately took hold of the old story as the weapon with which to defeat him. They had fairly begun the agitation when the railroad was thrown into the hands of a receiver, for the purpose, it is alleged, of enabling the Pennsylvania company to wipe out all the old debts and take complete charge of the road. No sooner had the receiver been appointed than the cry was raised that now is the time for the state to strike; that if it has a claim against the road it must be pushed now or never. The governor of Indiana has ordered an investigation into the affairs of the road.

The Short Days Are With Us.

We are just now having the shortest afternoons of the year, and they will remain at a standstill until the 13th, and then begin slowly to lengthen. The mornings will be getting shorter by some minutes until January 8, and then commence lengthening gradually. The shortest day from sunrise to sunset occurs December 21.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Universalist church will meet with Mrs. F. J. Seale Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

Fairplain.

FAIRPLAIN, Dec. 3.—George Race was married yesterday at noon to Miss Hathaway of Dowagiac. The happy pair has gone to Millets on their wedding trip.

Mrs. Peter Gordon will go to Genesee county, Michigan, on Thursday where she has been called by the serious illness of her mother.

WILL BUILD A CHURCH.

Some of the Pottawatomies Invest Their Money.

TERONISHA, Dec. 3.—The Pottawatomies who reside at Indian town, near Athens, have placed \$900 in the hands of Rev. Mr. Chapman, a Methodist minister, for the purpose of building a chapel. The \$900 is part of the money that the Indians have just received from the government.

MAYOR RITCHER SAID "NO."

Vetoed the Ordinance for Another Telephone Company in Niles.

NILES, Dec. 3.—At the last meeting of the common council an ordinance was passed granting the American telephone and telegraph company a franchise for constructing and operating a telephone and telegraph line through this city.

Yesterday Mayor Ritcher disapproved the ordinance by veto. He gave three reasons: The city is already honeycombed with poles and wires; the city already has two telephone companies; the ordinance did not provide the maximum rate the company could charge.

TO LICENSE BARBERS.

Federation of Labor Demands Such a Law.

LANSING, Dec. 3.—At a session of the Michigan federation of labor yesterday a resolution originating with the Saginaw delegation proposes a rather startling restriction on the business of barbering. It declares in favor of appointing a state board to consist of "three experienced barbers, who shall examine all applicants as to their qualifications to pursue the business of cutting hair, shaving, shampooing and the like, and shall admit such as are competent to the right to practice the art. By the terms of the printed bill which was introduced with the resolution, the board is to be supported by fees paid by the applicants. The fee is to be \$5. All persons now engaged in the business are required to register with the board and pay in a registration fee of \$1. The resolution was passed."

PITH OF THE NEWS.

Twenty thousand people saw Fitzsimmons and Sharkey fight ten rounds in San Francisco last night. Sharkey was carried from the ring unconscious but the victory was given him as the judges charged Fitzsimmons with an invisible foul. Sharkey is in the doctor's care. Everybody is disgusted with the result of the fight.

Ringling brothers' circus has arrived at its winter quarters, Bambo, Wis. It is so cold there that several of the animals have died, others have lung trouble and all wear flannel jackets.

All the glass factories, controlled by the trust resumed operation yesterday. The employees of the Standard wheel company at Kalamazoo were disappointed yesterday when the factory did not start according to promise. Three hundred men are out of employment and many of them are in debt.

Vice President Stevenson expects a quiet session of congress.

It is said that Chairman Hanna has been delegated to offer the portfolio of secretary of state to Senator Sherman.

The condition at Chippewa Falls is improved and it is hoped the town will not be washed away by the flood.

St. Patrick and the Snakes.

There is an old legend to the effect that St. Patrick banished all reptiles from Ireland by beating a drum, but no one, probably, seriously believes the story. According to the myth, he took his drum out for the purpose mentioned and commenced pounding it so vigorously that he knocked a hole in the drumhead, thus seriously endangering the success of the miracle. While pondering what to do St. Patrick was astonished by the appearance of an angel, who immediately set to work to mend the broken musical instrument. After the hole had been mended the angel vanished, and St. Patrick continued the work of serpent banishing, being successful in ridding the island of every representative of the snake tribe except one old stayer who had lived so long that his tusks protruded from his mouth like horns. This monster refused to leave the "land of his fathers," and the good saint resolved to practice a little piece of strategy. He removed the patch which the angel had put on the drumhead and then persuaded the serpent to creep into the drum for the night. When the reptile had done as requested, St. Patrick glared down the magic patch and then threw drum, serpent and all into the sea. A snake boulder off the west coast of Ireland is called St. Patrick's drum.—St. Louis Republic.

The City Steam laundry does more work than all other laundries in Berrien county combined. It is fine work that has built up the trade.

REACH THE 4000 MARK

Chief Justice Hicks' Prophecy Concerning the Order of Patricians.

ALLOWS A YEAR FOR THAT GAIN.

Benton Court No. 1 Holds Its Initial Social—Many Applications Received.

Benton court No. 1, Order of Patricians, conducted a literary and gastronomic feast in Conkey's opera house last evening. It was the initial fête of the court, which is only a few weeks old, and the friends who paid their compliments at the first celebration of this infant organization are greatly delighted over their entertainment.

Luncheon was served from 7 until nearly 9 o'clock, during which time Franzell's matchless orchestra played some delightful selections while the people present enjoyed a period of friendly conversation. After dinner Chief Justice William C. Hicks, of the supreme court, delivered an address.

Mr. Hicks declared that the promoters of the Order of Patricians, which had its inception in Benton Harbor, were not aspiring to governmental honors. They were not seeking aggrandizement as statesmen, but had been incited by a spirit of fraternity to provide an organization that would bring domestic felicity to every household. He considered it an honor to Benton Harbor to be able to claim the birthplace of the order and declared that the retention of the head offices here would result in great benefit, as hundreds of organizers and the office employees retained would have their residence here.

The order of Patricians was not an experiment, it was as old as federal insurance. It was organized after the plan of the Modern Woodmen with the exception of possessing the advantage of smaller assessments, a feature making its benefits within the reach of every honest man.

Mr. Hicks was sanguine as to the success of the organization. Its wonderful growth in the brief period of its existence augured a future more brilliant and glorious than the history of any other secret society unfolds. Its advancement had no parallel and with the continuance of the present increase a membership of 1,000 by next October was predicted. Within three months from its organization the order would be financially sound and able to meet any reasonable monetary indebtedness.

Touching upon the intimation that the board of directors or officers of the supreme court were unrestrained in the misappropriation of the reserve fund Mr. Hicks said: "These men are entirely under your control. If you have a suspicion that extravagant or illegal uses are made of the money in the reserve fund you have recourse through the courts. You can have an investigation and if evidences of fraud exist the prompt removal of the guilty ones is within your power."

Lawyer George W. Heideman spoke in a flattering way concerning the organization and at the close of the address a large number of applications for membership were received.

The Wreckage at Saugatuck.

It is now supposed that the great quantities of burned wood and wheat coming ashore at Saugatuck is from the elevator burned in Chicago a few weeks ago. The buoy marked J. H. Ketchum may be one of those thrown to the men, when the tug Johnson capsized in Chicago harbor.

Important to Martines.

The red buoy in the mouth of the St. Joseph harbor has been moved 150 feet north and is now situated at the north-west corner of the 13-foot shoal, the location of which every navigator knows.

To prevent the hardening of the subcutaneous tissues of the scalp and the obliteration of the hair follicles, which cause baldness, use Hall's Hair Renewer.

Persons puzzled about Christmas presents should see Poundstone. He can solve the puzzle satisfactorily.

Largest and finest line of picture moulding ever brought to either city at C. J. Peck's, 107 E. Main street. 36210

Nickle alarm clocks are down at Hollis & Son's, at 75 cents, that's right.

Awarded Highest Honor—World's Fair.

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

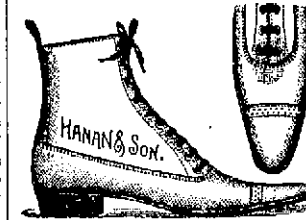
40 Years the Standard.

Blow Ye Winds Away..

You need not mind the weather, nor care how hard the winds blow if you are clothed in our

Wool Underwear, Mackintosh Lined Storm

Coats and Ulsters...



Felt Boots and Rubbers, Rubber Boots and Arctic Over-shoes.

We have just received our Holiday Neckwear, Fall Dress Shirts, Flannel Night Robes, Silk and Wool Scarfs, etc.

We are also showing a nice, clean, stylish line of BOOTS and SHOES, to fit and please everybody.

..The Globe Clothiers and Shoers

113 West Main Street.

E. W. Moore & Co.

..BARGAIN LEADERS ALL THE TIME..

Thursday and Friday, Dec. 3 and 4

We will sell Amoskeag Staple Gingham at 5c, regular price 6c per yd.

500 yds. White Shaker Flannels, good weight, at 4 1-2c a yd.

GROCERIES

Armour's Picnic Hams at 6c a lb.

White Corn Meal at 14c a sack.

Whole Wheat Flour at 29c a sack.

Fresh Figs, 2 lbs. for 25c.

4 packages Mince Meat for 25c.

We always sell Wonder Flour, manufactured from hard spring wheat, and has no equal as a bread producer. Sells for less money than any spring wheat flour on the market.



..ONCE TRIED ALWAYS USED..

E. W. Moore & Co.

WHAT'S THE MATTER

You don't know what to buy for Christmas Gifts? Of course you don't

Geo. M. Bell & Co.

Haven't unpacked their fine line of

Books, Perfume Cases,

..TOILET SETS..

and everything to make the heart glad, yet.

Holiday Display on Saturday, Dec. 12

...EVERYONE INVITED...

Interview with Santa Claus..

Santa Claus is plumper than last year, says he is full of hope and confidence, wears a new

suit of clothes presented by "Mark Hanna" and indorses our line

Looking Up Blankets



The chilly nights of Fall make extra coverings a necessity. The prudent housekeeper will see how the supply has stood the summer in the moth proof chest. If there is a demand for new ones now is the opportunity to secure them

Strong Arguments

Are needed most for weak causes, but our goods and prices speak for themselves. Remember we are agents for Wettimier & Co's Kid Gloves, the best in the market.

JAMES POUND...

Notice.

THE producers of Anthracite Coal seem to have adopted the theory that their product is something you must have and have placed a cold weather price on their commodity in midsummer. We are now receiving our stock of Anthracite from the Yellowstone region, the best in the market and selling your orders at current prices. No Christmas are given away with this coal, neither do we make any extravagant promises as to the future energy (heat) which it contains. We simply offer it on a business basis. If, as the big guns in the business assume, hard coal is something you must have regardless of price, we are ready and even anxious to supply you. As the amusement man in the circus would say, "We are here for that purpose."

BENTON FUEL CO.,
Office: Graham & Morton Bldg, Water Street.

NOTICE..

328 We Are Not on the Corner
Pipestone St. is the Place

We have put in a stock of SCHOOL SUPPLIES and STATIONERY

Our Stock of Groceries is Most Complete and Fresh

Prompt delivery to all parts of the city...

Michael & Beeny

New Stock,
New Store,
New Business.

Joseph Frick has re-opened at his old stand with a new, clean and up-to-date stock of Boots and Shoes and Rubber Goods. He will be pleased to have you call and select your footwear from a new, fresh stock and at prices that cannot be met.

We thank all our customers for their former patronage and assure them that we are anxious to continue to serve them, and sell them good goods at lower prices than can possibly be obtained in the city. We also continue to do repairing neatly and promptly and at the lowest prices.

...JOSEPH FRICK

113 Territorial Street,
Next to old opera house site...

We Are New...

And wish to make your acquaintance at as early a date as possible.

Perhaps You Knew

The old firm and the high grade of

..Shelf and Heavy Hardware

They carried. WE HAVE THE STOCK and are making prices that will make you our friends and customers from the start. For this month we are making special prices on

RED CROSS COAL and WOOD STOVES

None better on the market.

Benton Harbor

...Hardware Company

HUTT & ANDERSON, Proprietors

ROBBERS' DEN.

The Officers are Looking For One Near Niles.

NILES, Mich., Dec. 2.—Indian and Michigan officers are hunting for a robbers' roost, supposed to be located between Niles and Newcastles, Ind. For two weeks southern Michigan counties and Indiana counties adjoining have been overrun by a gang of thieves, who are supposed to be in safe or a kings and burglaries.

Many village stores have been pilaged, the value of the goods stolen aggregating thousands of dollars. In Indiana the gang has been bolder, breaking into freight cars, stealing goods and carting them away by the wagon load.

A few days ago a freight car was broken into near South Bend and several cases of shoes stolen. South Bend officers traced the thieves to west of this city, where all trace of them was lost.

The section west of here has long been considered tough, especially over the Indiana line, on the Chicago road, where many hold-ups and murders have taken place.

This gang is also supposed to know something about the numerous counterfeit half dollars that have been circulated freely hereabouts lately.

MANY HAVE STARTED.

Logging Camps Will Begin Work at Marilla.

MARILLA, Mich., Dec. 3.—All the logging camps in this neighborhood are making preparations to begin work, and many have already started. It is the dawn of an apparently prosperous winter.

CAN HOLD TWO OFFICES.

Supreme Court So Decides in the Sheridan Case.

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 3.—The supreme court has decided that Thos. Sheridan, clerk of Montgomery county and supervisor of Vienna township, may hold both offices. The duties of the two are held not to be incompatible with each other.

COAL SHEDS AFIRE.

Did \$80,000 Damage on the Boston & Maine Railroad.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 2.—A fire today in the coal sheds of the Boston & Maine railroad at the rear of the state prison in Charleston, did \$80,000 damage. A fall of the portion of the shed upon the tracks of the Fitchburg division blocked the track several hours. Fireman Ryan slipped on the ice while working at the fire and sustained a fracture of the leg.

NICHOLS' HAT FOUND.

Albion Student Probably Drowned Himself.

ALBION, Mich., Dec. 3.—A farmer yesterday brought in a hat found near Spectacle lake, about three miles west of this place, which has been identified as one belonging to George Nichols, the missing student from Galesburg. On account of the lake being frozen over there will be much difficulty in dragging for the body, but there is no longer reason to doubt that Mr. Nichols committed suicide.

THE NOVEMBER STATEMENT.

The Government Ran Behind Some \$8,000,000.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 3.—A comparative statement of receipts and expenditures of the United States shows the receipts for November were \$35,210,000, the expenditures \$32,200,730. The receipts for five months of the fiscal year amounted to \$171,597,335. The deficit for November, therefore, is \$8,050,044, and for five months, \$30,940,346, as compared with \$15,800,397 for the corresponding five months past year. This loss in customers' receipts compared with November, 1908, is \$1,534,026; the gain from internal revenue, \$64,744; and a gain of \$684,378 from miscellaneous sources.

A STORMY MONTH

Prof. Hicks Predicts Many Blizzards for December.

According to Hicks the first week in December will bring active storms, with changes to very cold. Many fierce gales will attend these storms, especially on the northern lakes and a cold wave of much severity will follow, lasting until about the 7. From the 7 to the 13 more storms are scheduled, accompanied by rain and snow at the latter part of the period. The 14 and 15 are described as certain to bring reactionary disturbances. Stormy weather may be expected from these dates until the end of the month.

Warm waves, low barometer, with winter thunder and lightning, attending by high and dangerous gales and ending in a sudden change to sweeping blizzards and cold waves. From the 19 to the 23 is expected to be a particular period of this sort, but if it should not come the delay will only give it additional force and effect.

All are warned to be on the watch for the appearance of this blizzard, the extent of which cannot be told. The 26 to the 30 constitutes another period of threatening disaster. Look for destructive winds, with lightning and thunder, turning to vast sleet storms, blizzards and blizzards. It is humbly advised that special arrangements be made for sheltering and protecting live stock from the fearful weather of December.

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per quart bottle at Hall & Nichols.

WILL BE HANNA OR BLISS.

McKinley's Second Choice for the Treasury Portfolio.

CANTON, Dec. 3.—The story that treasury portfolio has been offered to Cornelius N. Bliss, of New York, is doubted here. It all depends upon Mr. Hanna's intentions, and he has come to no conclusion. Should he refuse to go into the cabinet, Mr. Bliss would doubtless be Mr. McKinley's next personal choice.

GOOD ROADS PEOPLE

They Are Now In Session at Grand Rapids.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 3.—Senator Barnard presided at the adjourned meeting of the good roads association of the Fifth congressional district of Michigan, which was called to order this morning.

Officers were elected as follows: President, S. S. Bailey; vice presidents, H. G. Holt, J. W. Shisler, R. O'Brien, Jesse Armstrong, G. W. Garfield, D. C. Lytle and John Manchester, of Kent county; S. Sheldon, John Owens and John Jackson, of Ottawa county; Herbert Powell, J. D. Morse and W. J. Rice, of Ionia county; secretary, A. B. Richmond; executive committee, Geo. W. McBride, of Ottawa; E. M. Barnard, of Kent, and W. F. Whitmeyer, of Ionia.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved, That this association is in favor of doing away with the labor highway tax, and that all taxes be paid in money, as we believe that less tax, in money would accomplish more for highway improvements than is now secured, and that the law be so amended that persons assessed for highway tax can pay the same in labor, provided on being notified they will do the same amount of work for the same pay that the common carrier of highways pays for the work done on the highways.

Resolved, That there be created a state highway fund, which under certain regulations may be used to contract for, maintain and improve the roads in the state.

Resolved, That we are in favor of a state highway commission, appointed by the governor, and confirmed by the senate.

Resolved, That the office of roadmaster be abolished and all money collected in township be expended by the commissioner, and all contracts over \$25 must be approved by the township board.

Resolved, That the state constitution be changed so that the state can give aid under certain restrictions for the improvement of the roads of the counties, and also that property now paying a specific tax, none of which can be used for highways, shall be made to contribute to the highway fund.

The entire morning was spent in the discussion of whether or not to suspend the rules and allow all present to vote on the adoption of the resolutions. Many farmers and others present, who are interested in the movement, but who were unwilling to join the association yet, wanted a voice in the proceedings. Just before the noon adjournment it was voted to suspend the rules and allow all to vote. The sessions will close tonight.

HE IS 19 YEARS OLD.

Fred Edus Wants a Divorce From His Wife, Aged 18.

MUSKOGEE, Mich., Dec. 3.—Fred Edus has brought suit in the circuit court for a divorce from his wife. He states in his bill that his wife refuses to have anything to do with him, and says she never will. Edus is 19 years old. His wife's age is 18. They were married last July.

For the Next Ten Days

We will give 20 per cent off on any store in our store. This offer is for cash. Benton Harbor Hardware company.

DoWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is an antiseptic, soothing and healing application for burns, scalds, cuts, bruises, etc. and cures piles like magic. It instantly stops pain. H. L. Bird.

All parties wanting Photos for Xmas had better call for settings on or before Dec. 15th. J. N. FORDSTON.

Finest smoke on earth for 5 cents at Hall & Nichols.

S. C. Brown, who has for the past two years run a barber shop in the Phoenix hotel, has now taken an interest in the Hotel Benton barber shop. He extends a special invitation to his customers to come and see him in his new place of business.

Very respectfully,
S. C. BROWN,
Hotel Benton Barber Shop, 362-24

Eight day clocks took a drop, did you hear them fall at Hall & Son's at \$2.99?

Pico watch works and engraving a specialty at Hall & Son's, the old reliable jewelers. 350-26

R. W. Baker, optician, 155 Lake ave 318-57

The City Steam laundry does more work than all other laundries in Berrien county combined. It is the work that has built up the trade.

Elgin movements and silverline case they also took a tumble at Hall & Son's to \$5.50, complete watch.

Of all the pains leading to a woman's head a box of Bird's is the strictest. Bird always keeps the best.

You can make twelve Christmas presents for the price of one by calling on Poundstone. 362-7

Have you got good teeth? Stick them into Bird's Big Taffy. Bird always sells the best.

FIRST MAN TO TAKE ETHER.

It Was Administered to Him by Dr. Morton in 1840.

Some interesting facts regarding the first patient under ether are told by Dr. Samuel A. Green in his Grotton Historical Series.

The subject was Ebenezer Hopkins Frost, a native of Grotton, now dead, who is well remembered by many persons in Boston. He was a son of Solomon and Doreen (Hopkins) Frost and was born on Dec. 7, 1834. He became noted as a singer and teacher of vocal music, and was a member of the Handel and Haydn society of Boston.

Dr. Morton first tried on himself the experiment of inhaling ether, and in describing the effect it produced he said: "Delighted with the success of this experiment, I immediately announced the result to the persons employed in my establishment, and waited impatiently for some one upon whom I could make a further trial. Toward evening a man residing in Boston came in suffering great pain and wishing to have a tooth extracted. He was afraid of the operation, and asked if he could be mesmerized. I told him I had something better, and saturating my handkerchief gave it to him to inhale. It was dark and Dr. Frydson held the lamp while I extracted a firmly rooted incisor tooth.

"There was not much alteration in the pulse and no relaxation of the muscles. He recovered in a minute, and knew nothing of what had been done to him. He remained for some time talking about the experiment. This was on the 30th of September, 1840. I considered it to be the first demonstration of this new fact in science. I have heard of no one who can prove an earlier demonstration. If any one can do so, I yield to him the point of priority of time."

Immediately after the operation Frost gave a certificate corroborating the statements and signed himself as then living at 42 Prince street, Boston. Nearly 20 years afterward he died at Fitchburg, on Sept. 7, 1866.

Much in Little

Is especially true of Hood's Pills, for no medicine ever contained so great curative power in so small space. They are a whole medicine

Hood's Pills

chest, always ready, always efficient, always satisfactory; prevent a cold or fever, cure all liver ills, sick headache, jaundice, constipation, etc. See The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Chronic constipation is a painful, disagreeable and life-shortening difficulty. It deranges the system, causes sick headache, bad breath, and poisons the blood. It can be readily overcome by DeWitt's Little Early Biscuits. These little pills are great regulators. H. L. Bird.

CALIFORNIA

If you are going there

by all means inquire about the Burlington Route Personally Conducted Excursions to San Francisco and Los Angeles, which leave Chicago every Wednesday with a Pullman Palace Tourist Car through to destination. The route is via Denver, the Denver & Rio Grande Ry. (Scenic Line) and Salt Lake City. The cars are fitted with carpets, upholstered seats, mattresses, pillows, blankets, bed linen, bath robes, toilet rooms, heat and light, and in fact, all the conveniences of a standard Pullman Palace car; they lack only some of the expensive finish of the Pullman run on the United express trains, while the cost per berth is only about one-third (1/3) of the price.

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Tetter, eczema and all similar skin troubles are cured by the use of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It soothes at once, and restores the tissues to their natural condition, and never fails to cure piles. H. L. Bird.

Save your money. But if you must get rid of it spend it on good things like these that cuties at Bird's drug store.

A good assortment of fresh cundies at Hall & Nichols.

Many political speakers, clergymen, singers and others who use the voice excessively, rely upon One Minute Cough Cure to prevent huskiness and laryngitis. Its value as a preventive is only equaled by its power to afford instantaneous relief. H. L. Bird.

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They are so little you hardly know you are taking them. They cause no griping, yet they act quickly and most thoroughly. Such are the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Biscuits. Small in size, great in results. H. L. Bird.

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"Now good digestion wait on appetite and health on both." Use Washburn's Gold Medal flour—all good grocers sell it. 150-7

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Take a guess on the bottle of beans at Lary's gallery and win a dozen of parcel pictures. 350-26

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| Children's Elastic Ribbed Vest and Pants, sizes 16 to 22.....at 15c | Ladies' Medicated, Scarlet, fine Lamb's Wool Vest and Pants.....at 85c |
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| Children's Merino Vest and Pants, sizes 16 to 22.....at 15c | Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Fine Natural Worsted Union Suit.....at \$1.00 |
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| Ladies' Jersey Ribbed, Floored Vest and Pants.....at 30c | Men's Fine Merino Shirts and Drawers.....at 49c |
| Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Natural Australian Wool Vest and Pants.....at 95c | Men's Natural Lamb's Wool Shirts and Drawers.....at \$1.00 |
| Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Floored Union Suits.....at 50c each | Men's Undyed Natural Scotch Wool Shirts and Drawers.....at 75c |
| Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Saxony Wool Floored Vest and Pants.....at 95c | Old lot Shirts.....at 49c |
| Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Union Suit, Floored.....at 95c | Full line of Ladies' Flannel Night Gowns.....at 89c, 95c and \$1.39 |
| Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Union Suits, Saxony Wool Floored.....at \$1.49 | Lot Men's Overshirts at 49c, 89c, 95c and \$1.30. |

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We have added to our stock of Staple and Fancy Groceries a complete line of Appetizers, consisting of HENIZE'S SWEET PICKLES, in Bulk and Bottle.

Mixed Pickles, Chow Chow, Salad Dressing, Bulk Olives, Baked Beans, Maple Syrup & Buckwheat and are Selling a Box of Fine Toilet Soap of 3 bars for 5 Cents.

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\$ 5.00 Cloth Capes at \$ 3.89	\$18.00 Plush Capes at \$10.00
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8.00 " " 6.00	18.00 " " 14.50
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60 pairs 10-4 Grey Blankets.....at 44c-pair
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Fresh Cuts of all Kinds of Meat

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Harbor, Mich.
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Real estate, fire, life and accident insur-
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Teachers of the best kindergarten methods.
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Address "A," this office with instructions for answer.

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WANTED—ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND
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Look out for the Universalist bazar
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ber 15 and 16.

"One touch of nature makes the whole world
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Highest of all in Leavening Strength.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report.

Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

LOCAL BREVITIES.

THE Ossoli club will meet tomorrow
afternoon with Mrs. J. N. Reed, High
street.

THERE will be a special meeting of
the L. O. T. M. tomorrow afternoon at
2 o'clock.

MIL Moore calls attention to the
fact that shoe repairing in an inch card
in this paper today.

SOUL, the grocer, is selling four
pounds best kettle rendered leaf lard for
25 cents. See ad.

THERE will be a meeting of the
board of directors of the West Michi-
gan nurseries next Saturday.

CONTRACTOR Frank Pratt's carpent-
ers began work on the Lancaster house
across the Paw Paw river, this morn-
ing.

TREASURER Woodruff of Benton
township will commence receiving town-
ship taxes at C. J. Brown's grocery
store tomorrow.

FRANK B. Michael will play a beau-
tiful baritone solo at the Methodist
church next Sunday evening. F. H.
Null will accompany him on the pipe
organ.

The Chicago Black Hussars, who
camped here for a week last summer,
are trying to arrange to get a promi-
nent place in the inaugural procession
of President McKinley.

THE Misses Manie and Althea Si-
mon entertained a company of 35 friends
at their home, corner of Pipstone and
Maple streets last night. The evening
was spent in dancing after which re-
freshments were served.

HERR Bros., the grocers, have a new
advertisement in today's paper and
wish to impress upon your mind that
they will lead in low prices on lumps,
dinner ware and china. Giftware
makes acceptable Christmas gifts.

THE next concert company will ap-
pear in Martin's Academy of Music
next Monday night under the auspices
of the Ladies Aid of the Congrega-
tional church of St. Joseph. Tickets
are on sale at the drug stores in this
city and a fine entertainment is prom-
ised.

THE dead letter office at Washington
is not so slow. On October 7 THE
NEWS mailed a letter to a person whose
address was this city in an unmarked
envelope. The letter was unmarked
October 27 and this morning it was re-
turned to the writer from the dead let-
ter office at Washington.

THE new board of trustees of the
Universalist church has organized as
follows: Chairman, J. B. Graves; clerk,
Frank P. Graves; treasurer, Fred A.
Hobbs; vice chairman, S. M. Austin.
S. G. Antisdale, S. D. Van Horn and S.
M. Austin were elected the building
committee.

H. C. HURLBUT & Co. have given up
the idea of starting a branch plumbing
shop in Three Oaks. There will be
considerable plumbing there conside-
red by the new system of water work,
but prices will be demoralized as the
plumbers for miles around are bidding
on every job.

THE early risers were surprised this
morning by seeing a good sized house
deliberately walking through the
streets. There was no cause of alarm
as the building was only on its way to
Baroda where it will be used as a home
for J. M. Alimendinger's men, who
are at work on the Hickory creek
dredge.

A LARGE crowd from both cities at-
tended the social and oyster supper at
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Overton,
Bishop avenue, last night. The affair
was under the auspices of the Y. P. S.
C. E. of the Christian church and was
a decided success and several dollars
were added to the organ fund for the
church.

SOUTH Bend Times: It looks like
business down on that old narrow gauge
road in Berrien county which has long
been two lines of rust between Bi-
chman and Berrien Springs. The
company which is now building the
line out from Benton Harbor has just
invested \$30,000 in property at the
Benton Harbor end of the line.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

Osego farmers have experienced
this season with celery and have grown
some that is equal to the best Kalamazoo
product. Next year the culture
will be undertaken on a large scale.

Edward G. Moore, who bet on Bryan,
is now painting a ton of coal, placed by
pieces, in the window of a Kalamazoo
store.

A Watervliet man sold a big dog to
a friend, who took him to Columbia
City, Ind. Twelve days afterwards the
dog returned to his original owner,
having made the journey alone.

South Haven is trying to inaugurate
a county-seat war with Paw Paw.

Lausing supports a relic of the past
in the shape of a roller skating rink.

It costs \$5,000 to run the Y. M. C. A.
in Kalamazoo. This year the associa-
tion is behind \$1,500 which the busi-
ness men have undertaken to raise.

Colonel Henry Cooper, the giant of
the Barnum-Forsyth circus combi-
nation, is taking the baths at Mt.
Clemens for rheumatism. Two beds
have to be put together at the hotel to
accommodate him.

Real Estate Transfers.

Laurentine Batholomew to Clifton B.
Burr, 40 acres in Benton township.
\$108.

Mizabeth Stiekney to Ernest Stiek-
ney, 13 acres in Baldwin township.
\$161.

Fred E. Lee to Mary Meech, prop-
erty in Baldwin township. \$1.

John F. Hollister to John Clark, lot
11, block 36, central add. Benton Har-
bor. \$1,400.

John Thomas to St. Joseph Valley
railway company, property in Benton
Harbor. \$165.

Elkanah Nickerson to St. Joseph
Valley railway company, property in
Benton township. \$3,600.

Charles H. Whitcomb to St. Joseph
Valley railway company, property in
Benton Harbor. \$31.25.

Hattie B. Butcher to Frank E.
Butcher, lot 7, and part of lot 8, block
G, Clark's add. Buchanan. \$1,200.

Francis Michael to Harrison Fenton,
40 acres in Oronoko township. \$2,600.

Batholomew and G. R. Lowe to
State Bank of Michigan and First Na-
tional Bank of Benton Harbor, blocks
5 and 6 in Morton and Riford's add.
Benton Harbor, including buildings
and machinery therein contained. \$23,
800.

"I have found that Hood's Sarsapa-
rilla does all that is claimed for it. I
have taken it as a tonic and blood puri-
fier, and find that it is unexcelled. I
believe it to be worthy of all praise
it receives." H. A. Husen, 708 Con-
gress avenue, W. S. Saginaw, Mich.

HOOD'S PILLS are reliable, sure.

Constancy.

She was just 5 years old, but she was
capable of emotions which in their in-
tensity would strain the capacity of
much larger breasts than hers.

"I am used as a bull," she cried. "I
am going to grow me some horns and
run everybody out of the house."

Her grandmother overheard the re-
mark and called the little one to her
side.

"You wouldn't run your grandmoth-
er out of the house, would you?" she
asked.

"No," the tot replied, relenting
under the personal appeal. "You could
bids."

"Would you run your mamma out?"

"No. She could hide too."

"Your papa and Aunt Mary and Jack
—what about them?" persisted the
grandmother.

"They could all hide."

"But my dear, what use would your
horns be if we could all hide?"

"Oh," she replied with delightful
inconsistency, "but I could find you,
though." —New York Mail and Express.

Mountain Climbing.

In a sketch of Sir William Martin
Conway, the mountain climber and ex-
plorer of the Himalayas, The English
Illustrated Magazine says that he has
the "climber's walk"—that is, a gentle
roll of the body, with no unequal
steps, but swinging his legs with rhyth-
mic precision. He is a slim man, but
tough, full of energy and with iron
muscles. When climbing the Himala-
yas, he spent 84 days on snow and gla-
cier, during that time he traversed
from end to end the three longest known
glaciers in the world, outside the polar
regions and landed on the summit of
Pioneer peak, 22,000 feet high, the
greatest height yet reached by man.

Mail from New York to Batavia will
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A rainbow in the morning foretells
rainy weather during the day.

Pure Californian wines 35 cents per
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Customers for corn, corn fodder, po-
tatoes and apples. If you want good
potatoes or apples for winter use put in
your cellar at hard time prices, we're
got 'em. Will sell our corn in the car
or sack. Inquire or leave your or-
ders at the office, West Michigan Nat-
ional, 155 Pipstone street or O. G.
Hower, Eau Claire. 3161

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One-Way Settlers Rates.
The C. C. C. & St. L. R'y (Big Four
Route) are selling, on the 1st and 3rd
Tuesdays of each month, one-way set-
tlers tickets to southern points at
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L. G. SMITH, agent.

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BICYCLE GRIPS.

The Habit of Holding the Handle Bar at
the Center.

Assume, if you please, that the grips
are properly placed at the ends of the
handle bar, from 12 to 18 inches apart,
and that the proper place for the rider's
hands is on the grips. The fact remains
that the average rider seldom touches
his grips in riding, but grips the naked
bar on either side of and close to the
top of the steering head. Are we to
infer from this that the standard of handle
bar construction is all wrong and that
the grips should be at the top of the
bar and not more than eight inches
apart, or that the bar should be left
long to meet the exigencies of rough
riding, while the material of which the
grips